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RE: Microsoft Settlement

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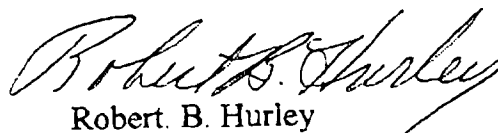
Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

I would like to see the Microsoft case finalized as soon as possible. The American public interest will be best served when the judge approves the settlement agreement.

I support the efforts of the Department of Justice, Microsoft, and the nine states that have agreed to settle the case. The terms of the settlement agreement are fair, and even go beyond what should be required of Microsoft. The agreement will result in greater flexibility for computer manufacturers, who will be able to add or remove programs from Windows, without fear of retaliation. Microsoft will release its intellectual property on non-discriminatory, reasonable terms. Microsoft will also release the internal interfaces to Windows and server protocols. Which will help safeguard against the violation of any antitrust laws.

Thank you for working toward a resolution of this lawsuit.

Sincerely yours,


Robert B. Hurley

cc: Senator Strom Thurmond